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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 26 June 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-24 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-24 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 1-3, 5-6, 7-8, 10-14 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rodriguez et al. (US 2002/0068599A1, hereinafter Rodriguez) in view of Tanaka et al. (US PAT: 6,671,509, filed 6-25-1999, hereinafter Tanaka) and MCgee et al. (WO 03/047164).

Regarding claim 1, Rodriguez discloses telecommunication system for providing information service to a subscriber in a network comprising: a mobile telephone network including storage area (160, fig. 1) for storing a first database, the first database including data for providing the information services, and a MS (100, fig. 1) including a second database (reads on directories 172, fig. 1), wherein mobile telephone network transmits the data to the MS, the MS populates the second database with the data transmitted from the mobile telephone network, and MS provides the information services to the subscriber using the second database in response to a request from the subscriber (figs. 1-2; paragraphs: 0040-0041; 0046).

Regarding claim 7, Rodriguez discloses a telecommunication system for providing location based services in a network comprising: a mobile telephone network including storage area (160, fig. 1), and a MS in communication with the BTS (not shown), mobile telephone network transmits data of the database to the MS, the MS

then populates its database (reads on directories 172, fig. 1), with the data transmitted from the mobile telephone network, and the MS provides the location based services using its database in response to a request from a subscriber (figs. 1-2; paragraphs: 0040-0041; 0046).

Regarding claim 10, Rodriguez discloses for providing information services to a subscriber in a network comprising: providing a storage area in a mobile telephone network, modifying the storage in a mobile telephone network to include a first database (160, fig. 1), the first database including data needed to provide the information services, wherein mobile telephone network transmits data to a MS (100, fig. 1) including a second database (reads on directories 172, fig. 1), the MS populates the second database with the data and provides the information services to the subscriber using the second database (figs. 1-2; paragraphs: 0040-0041; 0046).

Rodriguez differs from the claimed invention in that he does not specifically teach: database in BTS for transmitting information to the MS, a central application managing databases, the database including information needed to provide the location based services and wherein the central application accesses and modifies the storage in BTS and GPRS network to provide services.

However, Tanaka teaches the following: database (reads on memory 9, fig. 1) in base station for transmitting information to the MS (12, fig. 1), a central application (reads on center providing information to base station) managing databases, the database including information needed to provide the services and wherein the central application accesses and modifies the storage in the base station (col. 6 lines 45-65),

and McGee teaches: GPRS network to provide services to a MS (fig. 1, page 5, line 24 – page 6, line 9).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify Rodriguez's system to provide for the following: database in BTS for transmitting information to the MS as this arrangement would facilitate to provide services to a MS customer from a database in the base station as taught by Tanaka, thus localizing the services; a central application managing databases, the database including information needed to provide the location based services, wherein the central application accesses and modifies the storage in BTS as this arrangement would facilitate to obtain updated information from a center so that MS users can be provided with latest updated information to provide services as taught by Tanaka and GPRS network to provide services as this arrangement would provide another well known network to provide services to the users as taught by McGee.

Rodriguez differs from claim 2 in that he does specifically teach: storage area is accessed and modified by a central application managing the first database.

However, Tanaka teaches the following: storage area is accessed and modified by a central application managing the first database (col. 6 lines 45-47).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify Rodriguez's system to provide for the following: as this arrangement would facilitate to obtain updated information from a center so that MS users can be provided with latest updated information to provide services as taught by Tanaka.

Regarding claims 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13-14, Rodriguez teaches the following: the BTS transmits the data in a first database (160, fig. 1) to more than one MS, MS populates the second database (reads on directories 172, fig. 1) while in idle mode, information services provide information related to a specific geographic location of the subscriber, MS provides information without connecting to the GPRS network (figs. 1-2; paragraphs: 0040-0041; 0046).

3. Claims 4 and 9, 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rodriguez in view of Tanaka and McGee as applied to claims 1, 9 above, and further in view of Rimpelaet et al. (US PAT: 6,697,604, filed 2-18-2000, hereinafter Rimpelaet).

The combination differs from claims 4, 9, 11 in that it does not specifically teach: data is transmitted on dedicated PDCH (packet data channel) in idle packet frames.

However, Rimpelaet discloses method for testing the functioning of radio apparatus, and mobile station which teaches: data is transmitted on PDCH (packet data channel) in idle packet frames (col. 7 lines 15-25).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify the combination to provide for the following: data is transmitted on dedicated PDCH (packet data channel) in idle packet frames as this arrangement would provide one method, among many possible methods, for transmitting data as taught by Rimpelaet.

4. Claims 15, 18, 20, 24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rodriguez in view of McGee and Sebire (US PAT: 7,145,896, filed 10-12-2000).

Regarding claim 15, Rodriguez discloses a method for providing information services to a subscriber in a network comprising: monitoring a dedicated channel for data packets of a first database (160) transmitted from a BTS (not shown) wherein the first database includes data needed to provide information services, downloading the data packets of the first database, populating the second database (reads on directories 172, fig. 1) in the MS with downloaded data packets, and providing information services to the subscriber using the second database (figs. 1-2; paragraphs: 0040-0041; 0046).

Rodriguez differs from the claimed invention in that he does not specifically teach: attaching a MS to a GPRS network activating a PDP context, deactivating the PDP context, monitoring a dedicated PDCH for data packets, receiving TFI reserved for downlink data.

However, Mcgee teaches the following: attaching a MS to a GPRS network (fig. 1, page 5 lines 24-25), activating a PDP context (page 9 lines 15-25), deactivating the PDP context (page 10 lines 14-17), monitoring a dedicated PDCH for data packets (page lines 27-29); Sebire teaches: receiving TFI reserved for downlink data (col. 10 lines 46-48).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify Rodriguez's system to provide for the following: attaching a MS to a GPRS network activating a PDP context, deactivating the PDP context, monitoring a dedicated PDCH for data packets as this arrangement would facilitate to receive services provided by GPRS network as taught by Mcgee; receiving TFI

reserved for downlink data as this arrangement would facilitate to identify the connection to send data to the mobile station as taught by Sebire.

Regarding claims 18, 20, 24 Rodriguez teaches the following: BTS (not shown) transmits the data packets of the first database (160, fig. 1) to more than one MS (100, fig. 1), the second database (reads on directories 172, fig. 1) in the MS is populated while the MS is in idle mode, information services provide information related to a specific geographic location of the subscriber (figs. 1-2; paragraphs: 0040-0041; 0046).

5. Claims 16-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rodriguez in view of McGee and Sebire as applied to claim 15 above, and further in view of Tanaka.

The combination differs from claims 16-17 in that it does not disclose: the first database is stored in storage area in the BTS, the storage area in the BTS is accessed and modified by an application managing the first database.

However, Tanaka teaches the following: : the first database is stored in storage (9, fig. 1) area in the base station (BS), the storage area in the BS is accessed and modified by an application managing the first database (fig. 1, col. 6 lines 45-56).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify the combination to provide for the following: the first database is stored in storage area in the BTS as this arrangement would facilitate to provide services to a MS customer from a database in the base station as taught by Tanaka, thus localizing the services; the storage area in the BTS is accessed and modified by an application managing the first database as this arrangement would

facilitate to obtain updated information from a center so that MS users can be provided with latest updated information to provide services as taught by Tanaka.

6. Claim 19 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rodriguez in view of McGee and Sebire as applied to claim 15 above, and further in view of Rimpelaet).

The combination differs from claims in that it does not specifically teach: data is transmitted on dedicated PDCH (packet data channel) in idle packet frames.

However, Rimpelaet discloses method for testing the functioning of radio apparatus, and mobile station which teaches: data is transmitted on PDCH (packet data channel) in idle packet frames (col. 7 lines 15-25).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify the combination to provide for the following: data is transmitted on dedicated PDCH (packet data channel) in idle packet frames as this arrangement would provide one method, among many possible methods, for transmitting data as taught by Rimpelaet.

7. Claims 21-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rodriguez in view of McGee and Sebire as applied to claim 15 above, and further in view of Raith (US PAT: 6,385,461).

The combination differs from claims 21-22 in that while it teaches activating PDP context (page 9 lines 15-27 of McGee), it does teach setting up ciphering information, downloading packets using ciphering information.

However, Raith teaches the following: receiving decryption key and using it for reading information (col. 7 lines 1-13).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify the combination to provide for the following: setting up ciphering information, downloading packets using ciphering information as this arrangement would provide secure data transmission as is well known in the art.

8. Claim 23 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Rodriguez in view of McGee and Sebire and Raith as applied to claim 22 above, and further in view of Bertrand et al. (US PAT: 6,687,252, filed 6-11-2000, hereinafter Bertrand).

The combination differs from claim 23 in that it does not specifically teach: step of reinitiating the PDP context to receive another ciphering key if the MS fails to decipher contents of the data packets.

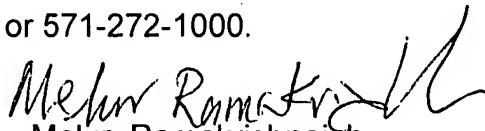
However, Bertrand discloses dynamic IP address allocation system and method which teaches the following: step of reinitiating the PDP context to receive another IP address for use by the mobile station (fig. 1, col. 5 lines 52-67).

Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time invention was made to modify the combination by using teachings of the Bertrand to provide for the following: step of reinitiating the PDP context to receive another ciphering key if the MS fails to decipher contents of the data packets in order to successfully decrypt the received data.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Melur Ramakrishnaiah whose telephone number is (571)272-8098. The examiner can normally be reached on 9 Hr schedule.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Curt Kuntz can be reached on (571) 272-7499. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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